



June 24 - James Gusta Watson, Jr., Katie Diggs, Coleman Smith, Josh Macko, Brittany Blackstock

June 25 - Brian Gilmore, Anthony Newton, Wayne Bishop, Sherman Partain, Noah Burton, Nadine Marshall, Chris Hammett, Megan Macko, Joanne Jones

June 26 - Shaniyah Simmons, Patty Hood, James Mitchell, Jeff Holmes, Cindy Ainsworth Lunsford, Kelly J. Strider, Gage Hynum, Kelly Dodd, Regina Thornton

June 27 - Pam Langford, Elysabeth Floyd, Aden Lewis, Adam Lewis, Stacie Sizemore, Glenda D. Branscome, James Brown

June 28 - Brittany LaShay Baker, Marilyn Walker, Calvin McAdams, Hunter Hutchison, Sheila Hammett, Bluford Taylor, Charles E. Simmon

June 29 - Raymond Jackson, Haley O. Woodward, Donna Diggs, Mary Elizabeth Diggs, Carolyn C. Smart, Steve Sizemore, Linda Dickerson, Jim Haffey, Misty Goering, LaQuita Hughes

June 30 - Justin Develin, Cedric Brown, Lindell Epps, Jhayden Moore, Ashley Davidson, Addie Burrell, Gia Turner, Cade McBride



June 24 - Ralph and Mary G. Hall, Josh and Brittany Allen, Andrew and Faye Roy

June 25 - Lyn and Virginia Nations, Cham and Angie Blain, Billy and Beverly Hathcock, Ray and Jeri Jo McCleskey

June 26 - Billy and Sylvia Wigley, Michael and Kacie Sanford

June 27 - Robert and Dawn Ashley

June 28 - Wayne and Pat Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Robertson, Frankie and Robin McCrory

June 29 - Sherman and Debbie Partain, B.J. and Britney Johnson

June 30 - Charles Christopher and Teresa Bates, Chuck and Nikki Edwards, Michael and Dea Bowling, Frankie and Lane Vargas, Blake and Brittany Powell, Jarrett and Karey Johnson, Brooks and Joy Ables, Alex and Kasey Killebrew

To add your birthdays and anniversaries to our list, please send your information by mail to P.O. Box 60, Lexington, MS 39095; fax 662-834-1074; email to hcherald@gmail.com; or stop by our office at 308 Court Square in Lexington. No phone calls, please.



Congressman Bennie G. Thompson announces tax credit to cover cost of paid leave for small businesses is extended through September

Workers Can Use Leave to Get Vaccinated

(BOLTON, MISSISSIPPI) – Congressman Bennie G. Thompson announced recently that the IRS will continue to provide tax credits to help local small businesses cover the costs of providing paid sick and family leave for workers through September. Along with using the leave to care for themselves and family who are sick, workers can also use leave to get their COVID vaccinations and take time off to recover from any temporary side effects from the shot. Research has shown that states where employees gained access to paid sick leave through this tax credit experienced a slow-down in the spread of COVID.

“Small businesses were hit especially hard by the pandemic,” said Congressman Thompson. “This tax credit will help our community crush this virus and grow our economy by keeping paychecks in pockets, businesses open and workers safe.”

Thanks to the American Rescue Plan Congressman Bennie Thompson helped pass, employers with fewer than 500 employees may receive up to \$17,110 per employee to provide employees with up to 10 days of paid sick leave and up to 12 weeks of paid family leave, from April 1 through September 30, 2021. Certain self-employed individuals in similar circumstances are entitled to similar credits as are schools, public hospitals and other state and local government employers.

Businesses can access the advanceable, refundable tax credit in real-time by reducing their amounts they set aside to pay payroll taxes and employee withholding, and then claim any excess on their quarterly tax filings or request for an advance payment from the IRS.

Roughly 6 million businesses and more than 30 million workers are eligible for this credit.

Colts participated in Grandslam Tournaments



The Lexington Colts Baseball Team participated in the Grandslam Tournaments in the 2021 Spring Baseball Season as a traveling team. The team gave maximum efforts this baseball season. The Lexington Colts finished strong. Mayor Robin McCrory treated the team to an end of season pizza party on June 10. Pictured front row: Coach Peter Reeves, Zakaria Smith, Samarian Wright, Dequan Stewat, Jaden Banks, JaMarion Stewart, De Shawn Wilson, and Coach Timothy Brown; back row: Organizer Sherri Reeves, Ronald Redmond, Jr., Breareon Stewart, Milagro Greer, Jr., J’Vion Mitchell, Bobby Stewart, Keyshawn Wright, Teron Wright and Alfredo Randle, Jr. Not pictured: Dredarius Randle, Jamarkis Stewart and Coach Tocarro Jefferson.

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX LEVIES FOR THE UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR FOR THE YAZOO MISSISSIPPI DELTA LEVEE DISTRICT

The Board of Levee Commissioners for the Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee District (the “Levee Board”) will hold a public hearing on its proposed budget and proposed tax levies for fiscal year 2021-2022 on July 8, 2021 at 1:00 o’clock P.M., at 140 Delta Avenue, Clarksdale, Mississippi 38614.

The Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee District is now operating with a projected total budget revenue of \$3,824,029.00 (57.94 percent) or \$ 2,215,780.00 of such revenue is obtained through ad valorem taxes. For the next fiscal year the proposed budget has total projected revenue of \$ 3,935,738.00. Of that amount (56.30 percent) or \$ 2,215,780.00 is proposed to be financed through a total ad valorem tax levy.

The decision by the Levee Board to not increase the ad valorem tax millage rate for fiscal year 2021-22 above the current fiscal year’s ad valorem tax millage rate means you will not pay more in ad valorem taxes assessed by the Levee Board on your home, automobile tag, utilities, business fixtures and equipment and rental real property, unless the assessed value of your property has increased for fiscal year 2021-22.

Any citizen of the Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee District is invited to attend this public hearing on the proposed budget and tax levies for fiscal year 2021-22 and will be allowed to speak for a reasonable amount of time and offer tangible evidence before any vote is taken.